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In re Petition for the Appointment of Viewers to Assess damages occasioned by the Changing and
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Road in Croyle Township, Cambria
County, Penna. as affecting the
property of Samuel Berkey.

In the Court of Quarter Sessi ions of Cambria County, Penna

No.

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TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF SAID COURT:-

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Second: That the Supervisors of the Township of Croyle, County of Cambria and State aforesaid, a quasi-municipality, in constructing a Township-County public highway beginning at Lamb's Bridge to a point beyond the premises of your petitioner entered upon and appropriated for the public use a part of said property of the petitioner viz: A certain piece or parcel of said land following more or less the course of the unimproved public road; and that in thus laying out, opening, widening and changing of location, your petitioner has sustained great injury and damage among other things as follows:-

- (a). That said road appropriates a large part of said land
- (b). That the said road renders the rest of said land less valuable.
- (c). That a portion of said land is rendered, by reason of said road, less accessible.
- (d). That the changing from the former public highway to the present location greatly damages your petitioner's said land
- (e). That in various other ways the said land is rendered less valuable by reason of the changing of location, laying out, opening and widening and in otherwise changing and constructing said road.

Third: That the supervisors of the Township of Croyle, a quasi municipal corporation, agreed to pay all damages occasioned to all property owners by reasons of the laying out, of said road.

Fourth: That the said road was constructed during the year 1924 and is now about completed.

Fifth; That the Supervisors of the Township of Croyle, a quasi municipality, and your petitioner are unable to agree upon the amount of damages sustained by reason of construction of said road. That no viewers ever passed upon the question of damages done your petitioner in the construction of said highway.

Your petitioner therefore, prays the Court to appoint three Viewers to view and assess the damages occasioned him by reason of the laying out and construction of a highway over the land above described.

And he will ever pray,

Samuel Berkey
Petitioner.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, 19 COUNTY OF CAMBRIA

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, SAMUEL BERKEY, the within named petitioner, who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says that the statements set forth in the within petition are true and correct.

Samuel Besky

Sworm and subscribed to before me this 31st. day of January A. D. 1925.

Notary Public.

My com. expires Jan.19th.1929.

MY COMMISSION E TOO

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And now the 2nd day of February A. D. 1925,

the within petition having been read and considered

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and Out Observable are appointed Viewers for

the purpose within set forth; returnable the second day of

March A. D. 1925.

By the Court

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSOR OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNA.
No. | Mauch Sessions 192 5

In re Petition for the Pappointment of Viewers to Assess damages occasioned by the Changing and Improvemen of the Township-County road in Croyle Township, Cambria County, Penna. as affecting the property of Samuel Berkey.

PETITION FOR VIEWERS.

MAHLON J. BAUMGARDNER ATTORNEY AT LAW JOHNSTOWN, PENNA.

SWANK BLDG.

In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County, Pennsylvania,
No. 1 March Sessions, 1925.

To the Honorable, the Judges of said Court:-

In the matter of the Report of Viewers appointed by your honorable-Court_to_view_and_determine the damages, if any, sustained by Samuel Berkey by reason of the change of the alteration of theline and grade of the township road through and over his premises, in Croyle Township, said county and state.

We, the undersigned Viewers appointed by your Honorable Court as aforesaid, respectfully represent:-

That after due and legal notice having been given and served according to law we did view said premises, hear and consider the testimony offered, made exhibit our schedule and made report of our proceedings and therein stated; as appeared to us from the Acts of Assembly; that the damages awarded to said Samuel Berkey should be paid by the County of Cambria, and filed our report June 1st. 1925.

However, whereas we have since ascertained that prior to the change and alteration of the line and grade of the road above referred to the then Supervisors of said Township of Croyle had entered into an agreement with the Commissioners of the County of Came; a copy of which agreement is on file in the Controllers office; brisk that wherein it was agreed that said township of Croyle would be responsible for any such damages as might arise by reason of the change and construction of said road and as the Supervisors of said Township of Croyle did appear at the view of said premises and at the time and place where the testimony in the matter was heard, together with their attorney and at no time and in no manner intimated that they were not responsible for the damages sustained by said Samuel Berkey, if any, and endeavored to show by testimony that said Berkey had not sustained damages.

Therefore we pray your honorable Court that the report of viewers filed 1 June 1925, as aforesaid, may be referred back to said viewers that they may correct their report so that it may read that the damages sustained by said Samuel Berkey shall be paid by the Township of Croyle; instead of by the County of Cam-

bria, as set forth in the original report, above referred to.

And they will ever pray &c.

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Viewers.

Now, June, 1925, the within petition having been read and considered and it appearing therefrom that wax in justice to the parties concerned that said report should be altered so as to readd that the damages found to have been sustained by said Samuel Berkey should be paid by the Township of Croyle, and accordingly said report is hereby referred back to said viewers for the purpose of the correction in accord with their petition.

By The Court

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> ALFRED M. SHOEMAKER Attorney-at-Law Ebensburg, pa.

In re: Petition for appointment of viewers to assess damages occasioned by the change and improvement of the Township--County road in Croyle Township as affecting the property of Samuel Berkey.

In the Court of Quarter
Sessions of Cambria County
No. 1, March Sessions,
1925.

AND NOW, to-wit June 30th., 1925, the Township of Croyle, Cambria County, hereby appeals from the award of viewers in the above stated matter to the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County for trial by jury according to the course of the Common Law.

Supervisors of Croyle Township, Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

Charles Thun

CAMBRIA COUNTY, SS.

Charles Plummer, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that the above appeal is not taken for the purpose of delay; that he believes that injustice has been done by the award of the viewers in the above stated case.

Sworn and subscribed this /3 day of June, 1925.

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REPORT OF VIEWERS.

To the Honorable, the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Viewers of Cambria county, appointed by your honorable Court to view and ascertain the damages, if any, sustained by Samuel Berkey, of Croyle Township, Cambria county, Pa., by reason of the construction and changing of the line and grade of a County-Township road through and over his premises in said township, respectfully report:-

That having given due notice of the view and of the time and place of meeting of the viewers to the Commissioners of Cambria County, the Supervisors of the Township of Croyle and the owner of the premises, and to the general public by printed hand bills posted in conspicuous places along said road at and near the premises to be viewed:

We met upon the premises, in accord with the notices given, and having carefully viewed the same to ascertain as nearly as possible in just what manner and to what extent said Samuel Berkey had been injured or benefitted by reason of the change and construction of said new road and then adjourned to take testimony in Johnstown, at a time and place, of which all parties interested had due notice, appeared with their attorneys and witnesses and were heard. At a time subsequent and after having served ten days written notice on the parties interested we met again and exhibited a schedule of our finding relative to the matter of our enquiry.

In the course of our view and hearing we found that a new and improved road had been constructed through and over the premises of the petitioner on a slightly different alignment than the formally used portion of the township road, which together with the portion allowed for the berm on either side occupies more ground than the old road.

That the shifting of the center line of the new road, just opposite the barn of the petitioner, some three feet closer to his barn together with raising or elevating said new road at the same place from three to four feet, very much inconveniences your petitioner

and makes ingress and egress to and from his barn with horses and cattle, difficult and dangerous.

That the Supervisors of said township had, since the completion of the road constructed a brick driveway from the side of the concrete down into the shed of said Berkey's barn, said driveway being on a slope of about thirty five degrees.

That at other places along the premises of Mr. Berkey said new road had been shifted, as nearly as could be ascertained, about five feet to the Eastward, or toward the barn.

That just above the barn of the petitioner a drain or culvert had been installed which carries the water from the Easterly side of the new road to the Westerly side of said road and turns same into the orchard of Samuel Berkey.

That the ditch along the Westerly side of said road for several hundred feet has been filled up and the water in no wise taken care of, and that between the surface water turned into the orchard and that draining from the Westerly side of the road a great quantity of water together with much sand, dirt and refuse from the road finds its way into the spring house of the petitioner, much to his detriment.

The Supervisors of said township testified that they were of the impression that the construction of the driveway into Mr. Berkey's barn was to be in lieu of all damages sustained by him: This, however, the viewers are not satisfied was mutually agreed to; firstly, as by the testimony it does not appear that any mention was made at that time of any damages whatsoever and secondly, as no written ag greement was obtained or sought to be obtained in lieu of damages either when the work was being done or at any other thme; and thirdly as the petitioner testifies there was no mention made to him at any time of this action on the part of the Supervisors being in lieu of damages nor was there to his recollection any mention made of damages at the time.

Relative to the exact location of the old as well as the newly constructed road, we had some testimony from Mr.O.P.Thomas, engineer for the township on the work of constructing the road in question, which for the most part compares well with what we see on the ground tho

Mr. Thomas states he did not make the survey of the old road himsself but that the same was made by one of the men from his office, who was not present at the hearing to our knowledge.

Accordingly, after carefully viewing the premises and carefully considering the testimony relative to the matter of our enquiry, we are of the opinion that Samuel Berkey received no benefits by reason of the construction of the new road as compared with the damages sustained, and that the damages sustained in excess of all benefitsis the sum of Fifteen Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars, which sum should be paid to him by the Township of Croyle.

A sketch showing the road and the relative location of the house and bern of said Samuel Berkey is hereto attached and made a part of this report.

Prior to entering upon the duties of our appointment the viewers were duly sworn according to law to perform the duties of their appointment faithfully, impartially and to the best of their judgment and ability and true report to make concerning all matters and things brought to their attention concerning which they were authorized to enquire.

Witness out hands this

day of June, A. D., 1925.

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REPORT OF VIEWERS.

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Witness our hands this 28th. day of May, A. D., 1925.

Viewers.

asearch of the records of Cambria County discloses no liens against the property of Samuel Berkey the within named petitioner. a. M. Shoemaker! May, 28th 1925

Notice of View!

Notice is he	reby given that the				Quarter
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Now, April 24th., 1925, service of the within notice is hereby accepted for the Supervisors of the Township of Croyle, Cambria Co., Pa.

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Ebensburg, Pa., April 22nd.,	Viewers.

Now, April 30, 1925, servive of the within notice is hereby accepted for the Commissioners of Cambria County, Pennsylvania.

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SCHEDULE

In re View to determine damages, if any, sustained by Samuel Berkey of Croyle Twp., Cambria Co., Pa., by reason of the change or alteration in the alignment and grade, and the widening of a Township. County road through and over his premises, in said township.

The Viewers appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions in the above stated matter having viewed the premises, heard and carefully considered the testimony offered by the parties in interest, have ascertained and determined the benefits and damages as follows:

Benefits - - - None.

Damages - - - - - \$1538.00.

A. M. Shoemaker,
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IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

No. 1 March Sessions, 1925.

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Your petitioner therefore, prays the Court to appoint three Viewers to view and assess the damages occasioned him by reason of the laying out and construction of a highway over the land above described.

And he will ever pray.

Samuel Berkey,

Petitioner.

DECREE.

And now the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1925, the within petition having been read and considered Philip Cauffield, Dixon Tomb and A. M. Shoemaker, Esq., are appointed Viewers for the purpose within set forth; returnable the second day of March, A. D. 1925.

By the Court,

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Extract from the Record.

Certified this 3rd day of March, A. D. 1925.

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Clerk.

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Sketch showing the line of a new County-Township road, through and overland of Samuel Berkerf, in Croyle lup, Cambria Co., Pa., together with the apparent relative location of the old road and the relative location of the farm buildings. Viewed upon an Order of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria Co., Pa., dated 2" March 1925. Philip & Carelfield Barn. Disjon Tomb and U. M. Shoemaker, Viewers. approximate location and bounds of old road. lamen Garage Samuel Berkey